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Topic: Smoking Materials



On 5th July 2021 a crew from Cannock were mobilised to a house fire in the Blackfords Area

It was believed that the cause of the fire was the careless disposal of smoking material.

Crews in Breathing Apparatus rescued one casualty who was taken to hospital

Safety Advice

The incident

If you don't need to smoke, please don't or try to think about giving up. If you aren't ready to give up please take precautions to prevent fires from happening:

- Ensure cigarettes are properly extinguished, especially before going to bed. Put it out, right out.
- Ensure you have working smoke alarms and they are tested regularly
- Never smoke in bed
- Use an ashtray rather than a waste paper basket for your discarded cigarettes
- Consider fitting extra smoke alarms in places you frequently smoke
- Consider booking a free safe and well check with us to get advice for your home



Put out cigarettes carefully before going to bed.

If drinking alcohol or taking prescription drugs, take extra care when smoking. It's so easy to fall asleep and not notice that a cigarette is still burning.



Keep your lit cigarette or cigar with you at all times.



Make sure all cigarettes are out before emptying ash trays.

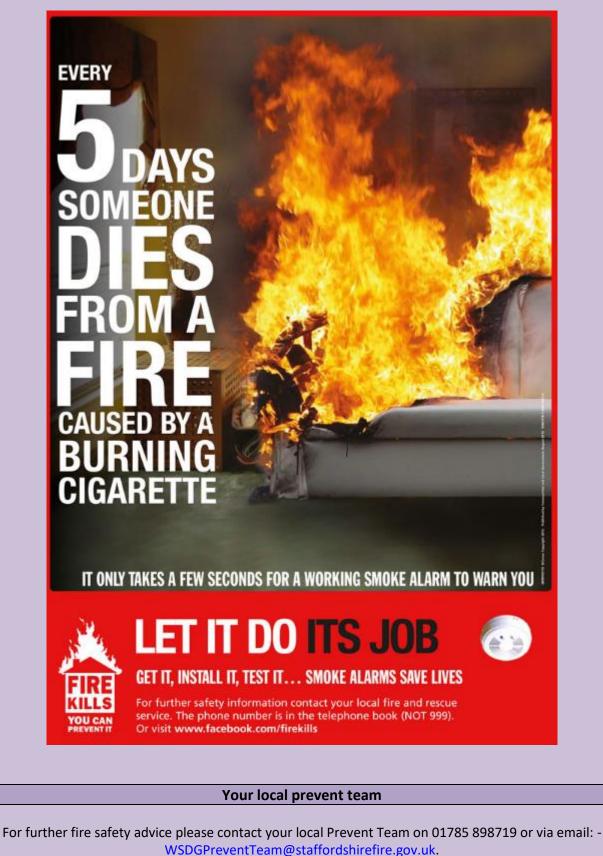
Keep matches and lighters out of reach of children.



If you want to try to give up smoking, get in touch the NHS Smokefree.You can contact them by visiting http://www.nhs.uk/smokefree

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